REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made to cancel pages 1 - 3 and add new pages 1-3,

cancel originally filed claims 1-25 and to add claims 1-25 which were set forth in the Article 34

Amendments filed 30 June 2005. Multiple dependencies have been removed from new claims 5-

9, 11, 14-15, and 18-24, while new claim 25 was cancelled.

A new abstract page is supplied to conform to that appearing on the publication page of

the WIPO application, but the new Abstract is typed on a separate page as required by U.S.

practice.

Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be

entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and

consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this

communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Brian H. Batzli (Reg. No.

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